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- 1) This is **NOT** a Response to the Office Action of April 11, 2003.

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- 2) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants are enclosing a Fourth Form PTO-1449 and copies of the references cited thereon. A copy of a Japanese Office Action issued in the counterpart Japanese Priority Application on June 17, 2003 is also enclosed.
- 3) In compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a Final Office Action or Notice of Allowance and includes the required

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- 7) Furthermore, the enclosed English translation of the Japanese Office Action shows why the Japanese Examiner considered refer-

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialled copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

Shuichi FUKUMORI et al.

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